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Sir:

Further consideration of the after-final remarks submitted on July 26, 2006, the following remarks and the Declaration of Dr. Beer submitted herewith, is respectfully requested. The response due date, extended two months from the original response due date set in the Final Office Action mailed April 28, 2006, is September 28, 2006.

A Listing of the Pending Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

A Declaration of Dr. Hans Beer follows the signature page of this paper.